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Honorable Commissioner:

Applicant herewith submits the following documents in connection with the subject application:

- Response to Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US);
- Certificate of Transmission;
- Declaration for Utility of Design Patent Application, Form PTO/SB/01;
- > Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form;
- Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US);

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated September 16, 2005. Confirmation No. 9818, Applicant herewith encloses the executed Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application in compliance with 37 CFR §1.497(a) and (b). Also enclosed is are Power of Attorney forms and a copy of the Notice to File Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office as required.

Kindly charge any relevant fees to Deposit Account No. 190254.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/26/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/26/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 05/26/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 08/02/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/26/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/26/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/26/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/26/2005

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371;

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
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